

Bengals, Burrow, and Opportunity

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The big talk of the town is the generous guaranteed contracts that star quarterbacks are receiving. It Started with Deshaun Watson and the Browns, then Patrick Mahomes & the Chiefs, and it looks like next up is going to be Joe Burrow. The Bengals are willing to invest in him which is rare for the organization but rumors are that it will be around a 75% guaranteed contract, which by league norms, is an extremely good contract for the young star. But when looked at regarding current affairs seems odd; If the Bengals were to throw an extra 20 million or so to make the contract 100% guaranteed, it would assure that their division rivals(the Ravens) would lose their star quarterback Lamar Jackson because it would put even more pressure on the Ravens to give him a big guaranteed contract. The Ravens have refused to pay him the guaranteed money he deserves because of the uncertainty of his more injury prone playstyle and this move by the Bengals would assure Lamar and the league that he is worth more money than they are able to pay him. Taking out a division rival's star player for 20 million seems like a great use of money to me but we will have to wait and see.